

In the Claims (Clean Sheet)

11. (three times amended) A method for preventing clotting in an extracorporeal blood circuit of a patient undergoing chronic, intermittent, extracorporeal blood treatment comprising administering for each treatment to the patient or to the circuit 0.001 to 10 mg of methyl O-(3,4-di-O-methyl-2,6-di-O-sulpho- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-O-(3-O-methyl-2-O-sulpho- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl uronic acid)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-O-(2,3,6-tri-O-sulpho- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-O-(3-O-methyl-2-O-sulpho- $\alpha$ -L-idopyranosyl uronic acid)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-2,3,6-tri-O-sulpho- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside or a salt thereof per kg body weight of the patient.

12. (three times amended) A method for preventing clotting in an extracorporeal blood circuit of a patient undergoing chronic, intermittent, extracorporeal blood treatment comprising administering for each treatment to the patient or to the circuit 0.30 to 30 mg of methyl O-(3,4-di-O-methyl-2,6-di-O-sulpho- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-O-(3-O-methyl-2-O-sulpho- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl uronic acid)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-O-(2,3,6-tri-O-sulpho- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-O-(3-O-methyl-2-O-sulpho- $\alpha$ -L-idopyranosyl uronic acid)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-2,3,6-tri-O-sulpho- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside or a salt thereof.

15. (three times amended) A method for preventing clotting in an extracorporeal blood circuit of a patient undergoing chronic, intermittent, extracorporeal blood treatment comprising administering for each treatment to the patient or to the circuit 0.001 to 10 mg of methyl O-(2,3,4-tri-O-methyl-6-O-sulpho- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-O-(2,3-di-O-methyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl uronic acid)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-O-(2,3,6-tri-O-sulpho- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-O-(2,3-di-O-methyl- $\alpha$ -L-idopyranosyl uronic acid)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-2,3,6-tri-O-sulpho- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside or a salt thereof per kg body weight of the patient.

16. (three times amended) A method for preventing clotting in an extracorporeal blood circuit of a patient undergoing chronic, intermittent, extracorporeal blood treatment comprising administering for each treatment to the patient or to the circuit 0.30 to 30 mg of a methyl O-(2,3,4-tri-O-methyl-6-O-sulpho- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-O-(2,3-di-O-methyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl uronic acid)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-O-(2,3,6-tri-O-sulpho- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-O-(2,3-di-O-methyl- $\alpha$ -L-idopyranosyl uronic acid)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-2,3,6-tri-O-sulpho- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside or a salt thereof.